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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 22, 2004, the date for reply extended to November 22, 2004, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.